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RESPONSE F - RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

This in response to the Official Action mailed September 26, 2006 related to the above-identified patent application.

Pending Claims 16 and 17 of the present invention are subject to an election of species requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following species: The fiber reinforcing materials (A) wherein a single species is elected from among the glass fibers, paper, aromatic polyamides and graphite listed on page 42, lines 14 – 17 of the Specification.

The Applicants hereby elect glass fibers as the species for Claims 16 and 17, without traverse.

A favorable action on the merits of Claims 16 and 17 is respectfully requested.

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